

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1315
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ASSISTANCE TO MAHARASHTRA FOR IRRIGATION
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has sought any assistance from the Union Government for irrigation Sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total area of land likely to be irrigated there from especially in Jalna district in the State?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) to (c) The Government of Maharashtra has not sought any assistance from the Union Government for irrigation sector. However, Union Government is providing Central Loan Assistance (CLA) under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) for 10 irrigation projects of Maharashtra namely Gosikhurd, Surya, Waghur, Bhima, Upper Tapi, Upper Wardha, Wan Jayakwadi, Vishnupuri and Bahula. Till March 2001 an amount of Rs. 266.755 crore has been released to these projects. For two projects, namely Gosikhurd and Jayakwadi for which shortfall in expenditure has been made up by the State Government, the first instalment of CLA of Rs. 10.35 crore has been released during the current year.

An irrigation potential of about 790 th. ha. is likely to be created by these projects including in Jalna District (by Jayakwadi Project).